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SUBJECT: RWANDAN CABINET SHUFFLE

- 1. SUMMARY: FIRST RWANDAN CABINET SHUFFLE CREATES NEW PORTFOLIOS. THREE MINISTERS REMOVED AND OTHERS SHIFTED. CIVILIAN PROPORTION INCREASED. ACTIONS DESIGNED IMPROVE COMPETENCE, BUT IT ALSO CURBS POWER BASE MIN. INT. LT. COL. KANYARENGWE. END SUMMARY.
- 2. THE SHUFFLE: IN FIRST MAJOR CABINET SHAKE-UP SINCE SECOND REPUBLIC WAS CREATED AUGUST 1, 1973, PRES.
  HABYARIMANA PRESENTED TO RULING CTTEE JUNE 11 A REVISION OF GOR PORTFOLIOS INCLUDING SEVERAL NEW MINISTRIES.
  NET EFFECT HAS BEEN TO RESURRECT SEVERAL FUNCTIONS PREVIOUSLY AMALGAMATED IN 1973 AND TO REPLACE "OLDER" (I.E. OVER 38) MINS AND SEC GENS WITH YOUNGER TECHNOCRATS. TOTAL MINISTERIAL POSTS INCREASED FROM 13 TO 15 WITH NEW POSTS FILLED BY CIVILIANS. TOTAL MILITARY MINISTERS REMAINS AT FOUR. REGIONAL BALANCE ALSO MAINTAINED WITH ONE REP EACH PREFECTURE WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EXCEPTION TWO FROM EACH OF THREE NORTHERN PREFECTURES.

3. STRUCTURE: IN REORGANIZATION, CIVIL SERVICE SEPARATED FROM INTERIOR AND ABSORBS EMPLOYMENT FROM SOCIAL AFFAIRS CREATING NEW MINISTRY OF CIVIL SERVICE AND EMPLOYMENT. SOCIAL AFFAIRS SEPARATED FROM HEALTH AND RENAMED MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS AND COOPERATIVES REFLECTING PRESIDENT'S NEW EMPHASIS ON COOPERATIVES AS BASIC RWANDAN SOCIAL-ECONOMIC UNIT. NATURAL RESOURCES SEPARATED FROM PLANNING AND FORMED INTO NEW MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES, MINES AND QUARRIES.

4. INS AND OUTS. NEW FIGURES IN CABINET INCLUDE DENIS NTIRUGIRIMBABAZI (MINFINECON), PC MUTEMBERE I (MINED), F. NAMURAMBAHO (MINAGRI), DR. I. MUSAFILI (MINHEALTH), S. NTEZIRYAYO (MINYOUTH) AND C. KANYARWANDA (MINNATRES). SHIFTED MINS INCLUDE JC NDUHUNGIREHE (MINPLANS FROM MINFINECON), CMDT. RWAGAFILITA (CIVILSEREMP FROM YOUTH) AND DR. C. KAMILINDI (SOCAFFCOOP FROM HEALTH). SACKED MINS INCLUDE FORMER MINAGRI MUGAMBIRA (GENERALLY CON-SIDERED INCOMPETENT) WHO BECOMES DIR OBM COOPS, FORMER MINPLANS MBONYUMUTWA (BRIGHT BUT INEFFECTUAL) TRANSFERRED TO HEAD PARASTATAL BUILDING ASSN. AND FORMER MINED BAGARAGAZA. OUSTER BAGARAGAZA WHO IS A RESPECTED POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENTAL VETERAN WITHOUT EVEN A SINECURE TRANSFER IS MAJOR SURPRISE. PRES PUBLIC RATIONALE IMPLICITLY CHARGED TIMIDITY IN PUSHING EDUCA-TIONAL REFORM, BUT, IN FACT, BAGARAGAZA AROUSED CON-SIDERABLE IRE AMONG MILITARY AND CIVIL SERVICE ELITE FOR PUSHING REFORM SO STRONGLY. IT ALSO DOUBTFUL NEW, YOUNG AND INEXPERIENCED MINED CAN PUSH REFORM ANY FASTER AGAINST INGRAINED OPPOSITION, RUMORS ALSO EXIST BAGARAGAZA BEING PUT IN RESERVE TO ORGANIZE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSED NATIONAL PARTY, BUT BAGARAGAZA AT MOMENT IS HOUSELESS. MININT LT. COL KANYARENGWE OFTEN REGARDED AS POTENTIAL HABYARIMANA OPPOSITION RETAINS CONTROL OVER PREFETS/BURGOMASTERS BUT SHIFT CIVIL SERVICE REMOVES IMPORTANT PATRONAGE BASE WHICH NOT COINCIDENTALLY REMAINS UNDER MILITARY MINISTER (CMDT RWAGAFILITA).

5. CABINET LIST - COMPLETE CABINET LIST AND BIOS WILL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE.

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